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Improper Amendment to Reissue

1. The amendment filed October 28, 1999 proposes amendments to the claims that do not comply with 37 CFR 1.121(b), which sets forth the manner of making amendments in reissue applications, as follows:

a. As required by 37 CFR 1.121 sections (b)(2)(i)(A) and (b)(2)(i)(C), the amendment must include the entire text of each claim which is being amended by the current amendment and markings comprising underlining below the subject matter added to the patent and brackets around the subject matter deleted from the patent.

b. As required by 37 CFR 1.121 section (b)(2)(i)(C), if a claim is amended as indicated above, a parenthetical expression "amended," "twice amended," etc., should follow the original claim number.

c. As required by 37 CFR 1.121 section (b)(2)(ii), each amendment submission must set forth the status (i.e., pending or cancelled) as of the date of the amendment, of all patent claims and of all added claims.

d. As required by 37 CFR 1.121 section (b)(2)(iii), each amendment when originally submitted must be accompanied by an explanation of the support in the disclosure of the patent for the amendment along with any additional comments on page(s) separate from the page(s) containing the amendment.

A supplemental paper correctly amending the reissue application is required.

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Period for Response

2. A shortened statutory period for reply to this letter is set to expire ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this letter.

Contact Information


3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jon Chang whose telephone number is (703) 305-8439. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday, and alternating Fridays from 7:00 am to 4:30 pm.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

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